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CALENDAR OF TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Asterisked items are either reported for the first time, or contain additions or changes to previously reported activities.

\*25 September, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

During the National Strategy Action Conference at Milwaukee, John Gilman, a Communist Party delegate to the conference, called for a demonstration and possible confrontation with authorities when the Vice President visits Milwaukee on 25 September. Gilman's motion was approved by the conference. Details of the demonstration are being left up to Milwaukee protest groups. FBI IN 164970, 9/17/70

\*25 September, Nationwide

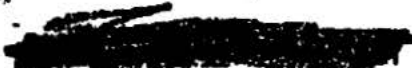
Vice President Agnew will appear between 8:30-10:00 p. m. (Washington, D. C. time slot) on the David Frost show to debate the administration's position on college radicalism with a group of university student leaders. WPSA 1029-22-70

\*26 September, Baltimore, Maryland

The Jewish Defense League chapter at the U. of Md., College Park, Maryland, assisted by students from other Washington area colleges, and headed by a Dr. Pearl, U. of Md., numbering about 200 individuals, is planning to attend performances of the Moseyev dance group in Baltimore, Maryland. The Moseyev dance group is reportedly performing at the Lyric Theatre in Baltimore on the 26th.

Dr. Pearl is believed to be Dr. Neil J. Pearl, chemistry department, U. of Md. JDL group will allegedly release ammonia bombs during performances.

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\*28 September, Kent, Ohio

A memorial service will be held at Kent State University for four students killed in rioting on the Kent State campus last May. *N.Y. Times* Sept 70

\*29 September-4 October, Utah, Colorado, Arkansas, Indiana, Washington, D. C., and Maryland

The Quaker Action Group, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, has announced demonstrations against the production of chemical and biological weapons. These demonstrations will be held on the above dates at Dugway Proving Grounds, Utah; Rocky Mt. Arsenal, Denver; Pine Bluff Arsenal, Pine Bluff, Arkansas; Newport Chemical Plant near Terre Haute, Indiana; the Pentagon, Washington, D. C.; and Edgewood Arsenal, Edgewood, Maryland. The group is urging that nonviolent demonstrations take place, although it is encouraging civil disobedience.

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\*October, Phoenix, Arizona

A meeting of the Student Mobilization Committee, which is controlled by the Young Socialist Alliance, was held at Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, on 16 September. Joseph Gerson, who has been active in protests, announced at the meeting that either the President or the Vice President will visit Phoenix during the month of October. He advocated closing down the city of Phoenix during the visit by blockading the main streets and the airport. His proposal received wide support and a seven-man committee was set up to work out details of the demonstration. *FBI IN 166113, 9/18/70*

October, Nationwide

The Justice Department has announced that during the month of October Dept. officials will fan out to 50 college campuses across the nation in an effort to convince students that the Justice Dept. is neither repressive nor lukewarm on civil rights issues. Assistant Attorney General William Ruckelshaus, who is in charge of the program, has defined the objective of the campus visits as an effort to dispel the belief among many students that the Justice Dept. is following unenlightened policies. The Justice Dept. officials also wish to hear complaints of students.

The Dept. has already received over 200 invitations and the campuses to be chosen will span the entire country and include large,

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small, public and private institutions. Invitations will not be accepted from student political groups, and every effort will be made to have the meetings sponsored by the institutions themselves. *N.Y. Times 9-3-70*

\*1-7 October, Tallahassee, Florida

Negro militants at Tallahassee have designated the above dates as National Kill a Pig Week. No additional details of planned activities are known aside from the statement credited to militant leaders that five local pigs will die (presumably at Tallahassee)

3-10 October, Nationwide

At the recently concluded 23rd annual convention of the National Student Association, the delegates called for the organization of a national peace petition week on the above dates. The association will sponsor a drive aimed at gathering 10 million dollars and 20 million signatures to support the antiwar movement. *WASH. STAT 19 AUG. 70*

\*3 October, Nationwide

The National Coalition for a Responsible Congress has announced plans to coordinate all efforts to aid peace candidates in this fall's election. A petition drive is scheduled to begin on 3 October for funds to be used by peace candidates for buying media time. Each person who signs the antiwar petition will be asked to contribute at least \$.50 and professional groups will be asked to match the amount raised by the petition. The National Coalition is a group of five major academic antiwar organizations. They are the Movement for a New Congress, the National Petition Committee, the Universities' National Antiwar Fund, the Academic and Professional Alliance and the Continuing Presence in Washington. The National Coalition is headed by Yale University Prof. James D. Barber. Included on the board of directors are former Atty. Gen. Ramsay Clark; UAW president, Leonard Woodcock; Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr.; Julian Bond; and former governor of North Carolina, Terry Sanford. *WASH. STAT 9/16/70*

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\*3 October, Washington, D.C.

Rev. Carl McIntire, the hawkish radio preacher, is staging a March for Victory in Vietnam at Washington, D.C., on this date. The guest of honor is still scheduled to be South Vietnam's Vice President Ky. Ky left Saigon on 22 September for a stop first in Paris before his

*all news media*

trip to Washington. Ambassador Bunker was among the group of dignitaries seeing Ky off at the Saigon Airport. Extensive press coverage has been noted in the past two weeks about the Ky visit. It was for a time regarded highly doubtful that Ky would make an appearance at the McIntire rally. At this time it seems that South Vietnam's Vice President is determined to do so. This development in America's pro-war community has prompted antiwar forces to schedule counterdemonstrations in Washington on the same date.

In a recent article in Washington's underground Quicksilver Times (15-25 September 1970), a spokesman for the Youth International Party (Yippie) states that if Ky shows up he will be met by 100,000 "stoned freaks." The Yippies plan on 3 October to distribute 5,000 Vietnamese flags so that Ky can be exposed to those who side with the North.

Less bizarre but possibly more ominous is another counterdemonstration planned for Ky's visit on the 3rd. On 21 September Rennie Davis, the radical leftist spokesman for the New Mobe, was at George Washington University (GWU) stirring up support for a somewhat more civilized but potentially violent and confrontational antiwar demonstration. In attendance at the meeting at GWU were students from GWU, American University, Georgetown University and the University of Maryland. Press reports reflect that the plan supported by Davis was vague in nature and resulted in confused debate among participants. At the GWU meeting the Student Mobe at GWU proposed a massive peaceful non-confrontational demonstration, but the group opted for more militancy as proposed by Davis. Davis told the students "we must declare Ky a war criminal and demand his arrest. We will march together to the war rally at Washington Memorial, surround Ky, and then arrest him as a war criminal." (Yippie spokesmen have also threatened to arrest Ky.)

The fact that Davis of the New Mobe as well as representatives from the Student Mobe participated at the GWU gathering is of some significance in and of itself. These two groups which represent basic differences in American communism have been feuding since last fall and only in recent weeks have been showing several signs of reconciliation, at least temporarily.

Since the present plans by pro- and antiwar factions at the same place on the same date constitute serious and profound differences of approach to American foreign policy, specifically with regard to our Southeast Asian involvement, all elements of a serious and, potentially bloody confrontation are present. Not only are most elements



scheduling demonstrations on 3 October militant in approach, but narcotics in quantity will probably be present and be used. Additionally, a sizable number of people can be expected. Since the rock music festival season has passed, the Yippies will probably muster at least 10-15,000 street people. Although the Rennie Davis effort is late in starting, local colleges alone could produce many thousands of protestors. McIntire promises one half million but more realistically will probably attract between 50,000 and 70,000. Vice President Ky certainly must be regarded as a strong drawing card for the demonstration. It should also be pointed out that many of the McIntire followers are blue collar types, and undoubtedly many subscribe to a "hard hat" mentality.

On 23 September, Davis and fellow radical leftist antiwar leader, Prof. Sidney Peck, announced formation of the Ad Hoc Committee to Protest the Presence of Ky in Washington. Their plan is to march on the 3rd from the HEW building at 4th and Independence Avenue to the Monument grounds and engage in "civil disobedience" (a philosophy of "militant civil disobedience" as enunciated by Davis and others several months ago is one of the several serious strategy differences between the New Mobe and the Trotskyite Student Mobe who subscribe to "massive nonviolence"; the dropping of the word "militant" is probably not an accident but rather a compromise to elicit support of local Student Mobesters; one of the other serious strategy problems between the antiwar radical groups--that of a "one issue at a time" tactic advanced by the Trotskyites--is not at issue this time out).

David Ishin, newly elected president of the National Student Association (past student body president of Syracuse University where he championed several radical causes) announced on 23 September that a delegation of NSAers has begun a vigil and hunger strike at Lafayette Park that will continue until 3 October. NSA will probably not be involved en masse in demonstrations at the Washington Monument.

No threat to government buildings has been mentioned in demonstration rhetoric, and it is not believed that federal agencies have been targeted for 3 October.

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5 October, Washington, D. C.

The United States Supreme Court reconvenes on October 5. A Boston group called the Committee for Constitutional Decision is presently attempting to collect ten million signatures in support

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of the Massachusetts appeal to the Court to declare the war in Vietnam unconstitutional. According to Dr. Steven Worth, co-chairman of the committee and a faculty member at Northeastern University, 5,500 local groups across the nation will be circulating petitions in support of the Massachusetts law.

The Massachusetts State Attorney General has filed a brief with the Supreme Court asking for a ruling on the constitutionality of a state law passed earlier this year. The statute states in part that no Massachusetts resident will be required to participate in a foreign war unless such hostilities were initially authorized or subsequently ratified by a Congressional declaration of war. *N.Y. Times 7-26-70*

\*6 October, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

The Peace and Freedom Center will sponsor a demonstration in front of the Hilton Hotel on 6 October when the Vice President makes an address during a regional Republican dinner. Definite plans have not been made by the demonstrators. *FBI IN 15991 9-19-70*

\*8 October, New York City

Publishers for Peace is scheduling a literary and art auction on the above date to raise funds for antiwar Congressional candidates in the forthcoming election. Included among the items to be auctioned are hand written articles by Bertrand Russell and original poems by Allen Ginsberg. Additionally, the original script of Gore Vidal's "Myra Breckinridge" will be offered. *N.Y. Times 9-13-70*

\*11 October, Farragut Square, Washington, D. C.

The Jewish Community Council of greater Washington is sponsoring a demonstration at Farragut Square on 11 October. This will be to protest "the discriminatory policies of the government of the USSR against its Jewish citizens." Fifteen hundred individuals are expected to participate. *FBI IN 164077 9-16-70*

\*26 October-1 November, International

During a strategy action conference held at Milwaukee from 11-13 September, delegates from the Student Strike Committee at the University of California at Berkeley reported that a week of international protest against the war in Southeast Asia on the above dates would be coordinated by the Berkeley group. Targets of the international protest. *FBI IN 166113 9-18-70*

are U.S. corporations with visibility abroad. General Motors, General Electric, International Telephone and Telegraph, Standard Oil and Pan American Airways have been named as some targets of the protest. These protests which will probably be in the form of demonstrations are being organized in Australia, Japan, New Zealand, Nationalist China (Taiwan), West Germany, South Korea, Thailand, Norway, Sweden, and Denmark. **FBI IN 166113 9-18-70**

30 October, Madison, Wisconsin

An article recently published in the underground newspaper, Kaleidoscope, dealt with an account of the recent bombing of the Army Mathematics Research Center at the University of Wisconsin. The newspaper reported that the bombing was perpetrated by an organization known as the "New Year's Gang" and that dire consequences would follow if University of Wisconsin officials would not grant several gang demands. Among the demands were release of three Black Panthers presently being held in Wisconsin, the abolition of ROTC on the University of Wisconsin campus and elimination of a new curfew for women at the university. Unless these demands are met, the article continues, "revolutionary measures of an intensity never before seen in this country will be taken by our cadres." Included among these measures were open warfare, kidnapping of important officials and assassination. Further details on the composition and political orientation of the "New Year's Gang" are unknown. The entire composition of the group may well have been the four men presently fugitives from justice and accused of the Wisconsin bombing. The demands deadline was 30 Oct.

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\*31 October, Nationwide

The National Peace Action Coalition headquartered at Cleveland has announced an antiwar protest for 20 American cities on 31 October. The NPAC was formed as a result of the Student Mobe conference held at Cleveland last June. Cleveland attorney Jerry Gordon who is the Coalition's staff coordinator has stated that the 31 October demonstrations will be the largest war protest ever. Gordon claims that the National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees has endorsed the demonstrations as well as the Student Press Association. Demonstrations are planned for the following cities: Columbus, Atlanta, Austin, San Francisco, Boston, Chicago, Denver, Detroit, El Paso, Los Angeles, Madison, Minneapolis-St. Paul, New York, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Portland, Providence, Seattle, St. Louis and Washington.

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A NPAC conference for further planning will be held at Philadelphia on 1-1 October. Details of the nature of the demonstrations in the 20 cities will not be publicized until after the Philadelphia meeting.

Reportedly the YSA tried but was unable to control the most recent NPAC steering committee meeting held in Chicago on 19 September. Also in attendance at Chicago among the 50 steering committee members were representatives of the Chicago Peace Council which is believed to be a front for the CPUSA.

It is believed that the 31 October demonstrations were also endorsed by the Milwaukee Strategy Action Conference held in mid-September. It has been reported that this conference too included not only representatives from the YSA and their allies, but representatives and friends of the CPUSA. These joint meetings among feuding communist factions further indicates that at least some degree of temporary rapport has been reached between important forces of the American old left.

It is not believed that demonstrations planned for Washington on 31 October constitute direct danger to federal government facilities.

4 November, Washington, D.C.

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The Black Panther Party-sponsored Constitutional Convention ended at Philadelphia and is scheduled to reconvene at Washington on 4 November. A site in Washington has not yet been selected but Panther spokesmen believe that the November meeting will exceed in attendance the approximate 6,000 that attended at Philadelphia. N.Y. Times 9-8-70

\*20 January 1971

A federal judge at Detroit has set this date for the trial of three members of the radical White Panther Party in connection with the 1968 bombing of a CIA office in Ann Arbor. The three defendants are Lawrence Plamondon, John Sinclair and Jack Forest. N.Y. Times 9-23-70

Addendum #2 October, Washington, D.C.

A March Workshop to precede the march scheduled for 3 Oct. will be held in Washington at the Hotel Continental on 2 Oct. The principal sponsor of the workshop is the Liberty Lobby, a radical ultra-right group. The workshop will be followed by a banquet scheduled for 7 p.m. No counterdemonstration to the activities of 2 Oct. have been noted.

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SOURCE: Government and news media

RELIABILITY: Probably true